

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Drayna *et al.*

Application No. 10/561,487

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Confirmation No. 2289

For: VARIANTS OF HUMAN TASTE
RECEPTOR GENES

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This Amendment and Response to Non-Final Office Action is submitted in response to the Office action dated July 31, 2008. A three-month period for reply was set, making a response due on or before **October 31, 2008**. It is believed no fees are due in connection with this response. If it is determined that fees are required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any such fees to deposit account 02-4550. Please amend the referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3.

Remarks begin on page 15 and end with a brief Concluding Statement on page 17.